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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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AMERICAN LABOUR CONVENTION.

BOLSHEVISM DENOUNCED.

MONTREAL, June 10.
Denunciation of Bolshevism, of the profiteering action of the United States Government in invoking the food control law against the late miners' strike, and of the failure of congress to control the cost of living are the outstanding features of the Executive Council's report presented at the American Federation of Labour Convention to-day. The cost of living is largely attributed to big profiteers. The report congratulates Canada for defeating the so-called one "big union idea." Their stand is characterized as a magnificent triumph for trade unionism. The report favours co-operative means with a view to curbing profiteering and urges that co-operatives be given legal protection against discrimination by manufacturers and wholesale dealers. Moreover the cost of living must go no higher or wages must be advanced in every case to a point whereat the American standard of living is secure.

YACHTING.

NEWPORT, June 10.

The Resolute beat the Vanitie by a minute over a thirty mile triangular course.

IN MEMORIAM.

PARIS, June 10.

An Annamite temple erected in memory of Indo-Chinese fallen in the war, was officially opened on June 9 at Nogent sur Marine in the presence of notables including Marshal Joffre and M. Millerand.

THE REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

CHICAGO, June 9.

Mr. Gompers, president of the Federation of Labour, submitted to the programme committee of the Republican Convention a series of demands with reference to the high cost of living, profiteering, opposing unrestricted immigration, injunction proceedings in connection with strike and compulsory arbitration.

The appearance of Gompers at the Convention is considered significant because the American Federation of Labour is committed to full political activity under the slogan that no enemy of labour shall be given public office if labour can prevent it.

"JOAN THE WOMAN."

FINE FILM AT CORONET.

Notwithstanding the inclement weather, there was a large attendance at the Coronet on Saturday night to witness the latest screening in Hongkong of "Joan the Woman," a fine historical picture presenting all the romance of medieval pageantry, and abounding in stirring incidents.

The picture is a wonderful film version of the more important and dramatic episodes in the life of Jeanne d'Arc, the French patriot who was recently canonized. The histrionic talent, notably that of Miss Geraldine Farrar, who plays the title role, is of a high order. The settings are admirable and the fourteenth century battle scenes magnificent, especially the "Battle of the Towers," in which more than 3,000 men participated. Some wonderful photographic effects have been skillfully obtained, including the gallop of the phantom steeds.

The interest afforded by "Joan the Woman" is too great and varied for description in a news paragraph. The picture must be seen.

OPIUM AS SECURITY.

A Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, at the Magistracy, with the unlawful possession of five tael of prepared non-Government opium. Mr. C. F. Mason appeared for the defence, and while pleading "guilty," put forward a novel excuse. He said his client had loaned some money—a rather large sum—to a friend, and had pressed him several times for its return without avail. When he again approached the man on Friday, the latter told him he did not have any money, but offered him the opium as security for the payment of the loan. Defendant took the opium. He did not in any way attempt to conceal the drug, but carried it openly in his pockets. Counsel said that it was not a case of the defendant possessing the opium for his own use or for the purpose of trade. He was undoubtedly guilty technically, but it was not a case which called for a heavy penalty. The defendant held a fairly responsible position with the Wing On Insurance Company, and was certainly not a smuggler. His Worship remarked that the fact that the defendant held a responsible position with the Wing On Insurance Company, was more reason why he should have known better. A fine of \$200 was imposed, and the drug was ordered to be confiscated.

A HARD CASE.

SINGAPORE TO SEATTLE FOR WORK.

A Eurasian lad named John Oswald was this morning charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, at the instance of Sergeant Stimson, with stowing away on the s.s. "Nile" from Singapore. The defendant pleaded "guilty" and said he could not get work at Singapore, and made up his mind to go to Seattle to work on a farm.

His Worship: You boarded the "Nile" without a ticket?
The defendant, who was in tears, said he did not have any money to buy a ticket.

Sergeant Stimson said that according to the defendant, he had no parents, and was brought up in an orphanage. After his education had been completed, he was let out to work, he decided to stowaway to Seattle where he had friends who were running a farm and were willing to help him.

His Worship said that the difficulty about sending the defendant back to Singapore would be that unable to do anything there, he would again stowaway, and very soon be again in the hands of the Police.

Sergeant Stimson said that that would be the defendant's lookout. If he were given a chance this time, and sent back to Singapore, it would be his own fault if he got jail for returning to Hongkong as a stowaway.

His Worship said he would rather remand the defendant until tomorrow, and in the meantime, the Sergt. should interview the C.S.P. and placing the lad's case before him, see what could be done for the poor fellow.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY.

The Hongkong Electric Company will establish its downtown offices in a building being renovated for the purpose in Duddell Street. The company has vacated its former quarters in the Old Post Office Building and carpenters are at work fixing up a store with a large show window on the ground floor of the Duddell Street property. This, it is understood, will be used for the display of electrical goods in which the company deals.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Router's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMANY.

BERLIN, June 9th.
Including the Deputies who retain their former Assembly mandates, the new Reichstag consists of 460 members, composed as follows:—
Social Democrats 110 seats.
Centre Party 67 " " " " " "
Democrats 43 " " " " " "
Christian Federalists 21 " " " " " "
German Nationalists 53 " " " " " "
German People's Party 51 " " " " " "
Independent Socialists 50 " " " " " "
Communists 2 " " " " " "
Bavarian Peasants 4 " " " " " "
Guelphs 5 " " " " " "
The total poll was 2,719,000.
Herr Schlicke, the Minister for Labour, was the only Cabinet Minister who failed to get his seat.

BERLIN, June 9th.
The results show the following losses:—
Majority Socialists 33 seats.
Democrats 30 " " " " " "
Centre Party 4 " " " " " "
The following are the gains:—
Independent Socialists 55 seats.
German People's Party 28 " " " " " "
German Nationalists 23 " " " " " "
Thus, the Coalition, which numbered 226 in the old Assembly, is now 222. The Opposition, formerly 55, now becomes 238.

PARIS, June 8th.
The German Government, on June 4th, addressed a fresh Note to the Allies declaring that it was impossible to reduce the Army effective to 100,000, as provided in the Treaty, and demanding that Reichswehr totalling 200,000 should be maintained permanently.
The Allied Military Council has now replied that they are not prepared to depart from the Allied attitude as determined at San Remo, the purport of which was to press Germany to fulfil her engagements.

LONDON, June 9th.
The Times says that the German Mission headed by Herr von Herz, Food Controller, has concluded its visit to London. The Mission requested the Government to grant Germany an immediate supply of food sufficient to maintain the present rations in Germany without adding to the debt.
The Mission also asked to be allowed to retain some of the shipping, as Germany had to pay higher freight than other nations.

LONDON, June 10th.
The Daily Mail states that Mr. McCurdy, the Food Controller, has refused to supply goods to the German Mission, but offered to send bacon and mutton on certain terms.

BERLIN, June 10th.
Herr Mueller has not yet been requested to form a new Government.

The newspapers think that his prospects of forming a Cabinet on a firm basis are poor. The latest idea is to create a Coalition Government, comprising Trades Unions, industry, and agriculture representatives with party leaders acting in a supervisory capacity. The situation has been discussed at various party meetings, but it is not likely that any decision will be reached until next week.

THE AUSTRALIAN CABINET.

LONDON, June 9th.
The Hon. W. A. Watt, who is at present in Europe in connection with the International Financial Conference at Brussels, has resigned the Commonwealth Treasuryship owing to a variance with Mr. W. M. Hughes and other members of the Cabinet.

LEST WE FORGET.

LONDON, June 9th.
The Times' correspondent at Wellington says that General Birdwood, in a speech, said that as a result of Gallipoli, New Zealand and Australia stood shoulder to shoulder for the first time, as they must in the future, in order to look with confidence to the security of the Pacific outposts.

He advised New Zealand not to lose the opportunity presented by the possession of numbers of trained men to establish an efficient defence force.

New Zealand, Australia and India should keep in close touch, so as to be able to help mutually in case of need. Balance on the British Navy was good but the Navy might be needed in two places. The German of yesterday would be the German of to-morrow. For the present, we must depend on our strong right arm.

UNREST IN IRELAND.

LONDON, June 9th.
The Railway Company in Ireland is persisting in its refusal to reinstate the strikers who objected to the handling munitions unless they now undertake to handle all traffic alike. Negotiations to end the strike have consequently broken down.

The Irish Labour Party has now pledged itself to support the strikers and is issuing an appeal for funds.
LONDON, June 9th.
A military patrol encountered 100 armed Sinn Feiners at Cahin in Tipperary, and captured several with cycles, arms and ammunition. A large crowd subsequently attacked the soldiers and rescued the prisoners.

LONDON, June 10th.
It is officially stated that since January 1st claims for compensation for malicious destruction of property in Ireland totalled £2,718,000.

LONDON, June 10th.
In view of the efforts of Sinn Feiners to destroy coastguard stations and remove lighthouse equipment, the Irish Light Board has warned mariners of the possible absence of the usual signals, but large forces of mariners have already been landed at vital points.

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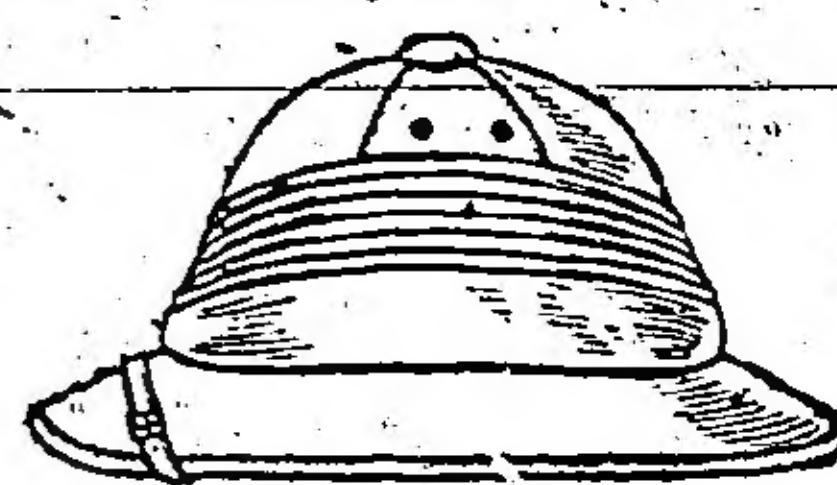
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In the great harbour of the Firth of Clyde the familiar outline of the well-known Ailsa Craig stands out with its striking distinctness in its splendid isolation, this latter feature being probably the principal reason why every eye aboard the passing ship must be focussed upon it. Further up the Firth one naturally looks for the islands of the Cumbrae, while the Goat Fell frowns away on the opposite bank, compelling the attention of the traveller to an almost equal degree as Ailsa Craig itself.

Even the entrance to the Thames, with its uninteresting low-lying sea shore on the one hand, and its almost featureless Kentish coast on the other (comparatively featureless notwithstanding its inland beauty and its curious sand-rocks near Herne Bay which will one day be no more), has a considerable attraction for the eye in the distance ahead, and that betokens the whereabouts of London's innumerable chimneys pots and factories, a mark which even the oldest and most familiar mariner has surely never known to be absent from the view.

Other harbours or rivers possess certain features which, although not forming part of the topography or permanent memorials constructed by human labour, have by long custom become familiar objects associated with the place and among those venerable may be made to the famous naval harbour at Portsmouth, the home of Nelson's famous flagship the "Victory".

This fine old wooden wall of England has, for so many years lain at her accustomed moorings just off Messrs. Camper and Nicholson's yard at Gosport, that the present generations are almost unable to picture this great naval harbour in their minds without the "Victory," and yet that is the state of the picture at the present moment. This old wooden man-of-war flies the flag of the Commander-in-Chief, besides being the depot ship for the port which fires the sunrise and sunset gun, and also the first of any salutes that may be ordered. She was taken from her usual moorings and towed into the dockyard for repairs, where it would doubtless be a matter of considerable interest to see her lying side by side with one of the up-to-date modern capital ships which, although dwarfing her in point of actual length, displacement, draught, &c., would not by any means dwarf her so far as the impression given to the casual observer is concerned. Her enormous freeboard and curious chequered sides of white and black give her an appearance of size which counters her lack of actual tonnage, displacement or "length in feet." It is interesting to note her exact dimensions, which are—

Length from figure head to tail rail... 226ft. 6in.
Length of keel... 151ft. 3in.
Length of gun deck... 186ft. 6in.
Extreme beam... 52ft. 6in.
Depth of hold... 21ft. 6in.
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When she lies at her accustomed moorings, she is in a very convenient position for the many sight-seers who daily visit her to view the famous cockpit where the great national hero died, and to inspect the many Nelsonian relics that are in custody aboard. So much so that quite a number of harbour boatmen (not longshoremen exactly, but it is doubtful whether some of them have seen the outside of the harbour for many a year) on Portsmouth Harbour run a very good and practically permanent business in conveying these visitors to the "Victory." Whilst she is in dockyard hands, however, the means of boarding her will be via the dockyard gates, so that these ancient mariners will be out of a job for a corresponding period, and if they have formed a trade union organisation amongst themselves, this loss of business will provide a very good ground for a grievance, although they will be unable to improve matters by having recourse to a down-tools policy.

As one nowadays hears so much about our modern naval vessels, and so little about the old wooden men-of-war that won our national greatness, it will be refreshing to recall some of the principal events associated with the name of "Victory." So far as records can be traced a "Victory" has appeared in the British Navy ever since the year 1570, but none of them have survived for anything approaching the

length of time that the present one has, she having been launched at Chatham in May 1765. She was built to the design of Sir Thomas Slade, then Surveyor of the Navy, a position corresponding to the present-day Director of Naval Construction, her principal dimensions being as above described and her armament as follows:—

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REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

CHICAGO, June 9th.
Senator Lodge has been elected permanent Chairman of the Republic Convention.

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Senator Lodge's address at the Convention was punctuated with applause, especially on his declaration that President Wilson's dynasty must for ever be driven out of power. President Wilson went to the Peace Conference himself, he said, because he could trust nobody else. Senator Lodge's reference to President Wilson's Mexican policy was likewise applauded.

CHICAGO, June 10th.
The question of the League of Nations is leading to most heated debates in the Sub-Committee drafting the platform, between the mid reservation group, led by ex-Senator Crane, and the Anti-League Group, under Senator Borah.

Senator Lodge is using his influence in an endeavour to compromise, but the differences have culminated in a threat by the irreconcilables to leave the party unless it declares flatly against the League. Thus the League issue becomes the foremost question of the Convention, not excepting even the Presidential nominations.

The betting inclines in favour of Senator Hiram Johnson's candidacy, although the Republican Convention has given no sign upon whom its choice will fall. Meanwhile the Committees engaged in framing the Republican platform of the League of Nations remain the centre of speculation.

CHICAGO, June 10th.
The Republican Convention has accepted the League of Nations formula drafted by Senator Root as a basis of compromise, despite the threats of the irreconcilables to leave the party unless the League is turned down. The Sub-Committee which is endeavouring to find a basis of compromise with a view to consolidating the party is progressing in complete agreement. The imminent Root's compromise provides for a new agreement with other nations, including a tribunal for the settlement of international disputes.

Senator Borah described it as establishing the principles for which the irreconcilables contended, namely, the omission of the ratification of the pledge, commendation of the Senate's refusal to ratify the Treaty, also that the League of Nations must accord with the ideals of George Washington.

Senator Hiram Johnson declared that the first assault of internationalism and international bankers on the Republican Party has been met and defeated.

CHICAGO, June 10th.
The Sub-Committee of the Republican Convention drafting the platform has adopted a plank reciting Republican achievements, despite "the unconstitutional and distasteful" acts of President Wilson. The Committee has decided not to discuss Prohibition in the platform.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9th.
Mr. Cummings, the Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, says that the main plank of the Democratic platform will be a declaration in favour of the ratification of the Treaty.

BRITAIN'S TRADE.

London, June 10th.
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OBITUARY.

CAPE TOWN, June 9th.
Major-General Ravenshaw, commanding the forces in South Africa, died of heart failure while elephant hunting in the Adoo bush near Port Elizabeth. His body was found face downwards, with a rifle in his hand.

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WHITE.—On 12th June, 1920, at 27, Bellios Terrace, to Mr. and Mrs. Hermon White, a daughter, Mrs. Margaret White, a daughter.

WALKER.—On June 5, at No. 59C, Range Road, Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Walker, a son. Hongkong papers asked to copy.

JONES.—On June 7, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Jones, a daughter.

POPE.—On June 6, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Pope, a son.

WADE.—On June 6, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Wade, a son.

MARRIAGE.

KREBS-WAGER.—On June 12, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, by the Rev. G. R. Lindsay, Mr. Henry Krebs, third son of the late Mr. Adolphe Krebs and Mrs. Krebs, of La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland, and of Messrs. Gerin, Drevard and Co., Hongkong, to Bertha Dorleska Wager, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wager, of Seattle, Washington. At Home, 52, Nathan Road, Kowloon, after July 1.

DEATH.

GEORGE.—On June 6, at Shanghai, Frank George (Yangsze, Pilot), aged 63 years.

The China Mail.

TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1920.

TO-DAY.

The soliloquy of an intelligent man to-day, over his morning paper, should have point. In the case of a seriously minded man, it has political hopes and fears, a love of humanity, a desire for peace and progress, there should be a soliloquy that breaks fast. Let us look over his shoulder as he reads.

owing to Serbian and Greek agitation. How confusing. Is such an explanation really necessary, when it is admitted that there were armed Italians in Albania? Hardly. Invaders provoke hostility. Italian soldiers oppose despatch of reinforcements. Extraordinary. Are they traitors? Or men of goodwill putting principle before so-called patriotism, opposed to swashbuckling and imperialistic raids? Socialists? Free fight in Italian parliament. World in peace-time looks oddly belligerent. For it isn't only the Italians. B. Law and other British busy again with "Imperial defence." Defence against what, or whom? The chief foreign enemy is hobbled for good. Perhaps we must need defence against our too zealous defenders. Perhaps. One never can be sure.

Bolsheviks, of course. A standing dish. Italians in this also. Italian sailors captured at Batumi. What were they doing at Batumi? Is Italy at war with Russia? May be. Don't know. We are not. Yet what is this? The British detachment from Resht arrived at Menji on June 4. That must be the detachment that retired to Resht to "avoid contact," and for purely precautionary purposes. Couldn't be a "strategic retirement," of course, because we are not at war with Russia. Resht is in Persia. H'm. That's why our fellows are there, because we are "protecting" Persia. Infernal nuisance having to protect people, when we are so busy. White man's burden, and all that sort of thing. Somebody getting something out of it, no doubt, or hoping to. Trade follows flag. But these messages—something queer about them. Here's another on the same. Bonar Law discredited Bolshevism wireless claiming a British reverse. Those Bolsheviks are fools; they evidently fancy we are at war with them. Of course there could be no foundation for it, as B. Law says. How can we suffer a reverse if we are not fighting? Why on earth didn't he say so? Let's see. He says the report was "probably based on the fact that some time ago, in pursuance of the policy of limiting our commitments—eh?—we moved a very small British garrison from Resht to Bagdad. Damn! All this has a fishy look. Why plead that it was a "very small" force? To explain a licking? No, not that, because we are not at war. Anyway, if it had a job to do, why was it "very small"? These idiots always send forces too small for the job, whatever it is, and waste men. But it certainly does smell fishy. It was on June 4 that this very

small force arrived at Menji. Where's Menji? Don't know. Maskee. It means they left Resht close about June 4. Why does B. Law use the phrase "some time ago"—patently suggesting some considerable time—when he is talking of June 4 on June 9?

There's Poland, too, wiping out whole divisions, and causing a "road." Triumph. We congratulate the Poles, of course; because we hate the Bolsheviks. It is different when it comes to their dispute with our friends the Czechs-Slovaks about Teschen. Ambassadors' conference is attending to that. Lloyd George hopes for a peaceful settlement. Excellent. Because, of course, there is Ireland. Not so many atrocities this morning, thank goodness. Military patrol fights a hundred Sinnfeiners, takes prisoners. Huge crowd re-takes them. H'm. It's a long way to Tipperary, and these newspaper fellows are awful liars.

Germans say it is "impossible" to reduce army to 100,000 and demands 200,000. That's the limit of impudence. Tell Foch to reduce 'em now to 50,000, and if they are not jolly quick about it, reduce 'em to 25,000. They are only bluffing, of course, but they need humbling. Confound them. Well, that seems to exhaust the waiters of peace-time. Quite enough for one day.

Boy! This coffee's quite cold. Whadja mean by it? Eh? Master, read paper and forget? Well, make some more.

ADVERSARIA.

That the mandrake SENSITIVE servants when up-PLANTS. rooted, that many flowers blush unseen, that trees talk, and that onions think, who that hath imbibed knowledge through the eye by way of print will deny? Still less, it may be, shall contradiction come from that nursing man who avidly reads crowds and wendeth for hours in places "horrid with fern and intricate with thorn." Beneath the frown of wicked men our country's strength is bowing. But, thanks to God, they can't prevent The sweet wild flowers from blowing, and so the contemplative quietist goes where he can lay ear to the "prevalent urge," and listen to the secrets of Chorophyllus the Green God. For him there "aint no ten commandments," but only the law of Moses, as interpreted by the student's microscope. Is it not written that "the vascular supply of the leaf consists of a single strand only in the haphazard and some of the more primitive siphonostele forms," and more especially that "the cambium continues the primary differentiation of xylem and phloem in the desmogen strand, or arises in the mesoderm or mesocycle"? Hard words, you say, break no bones, else had we here a compound fracture of two. They are for the indolgent browser of botanic lore, not for the "open-air observer." Fast-rooted in the fruitful soil "are his volumes, and his news of them is fresh and first-hand. Thus many years ago in Kowloon a ball man spent patient hours over the so-called "sensitive plant," with results that appeared in print. Since it is admitted that the sole meaning of science is to know, and such men often really do know, they may give points to men that be licensed to label themselves scientist. Professor Bose, "the famous Indian natural scientist," as a journalist calls him, may be more scientific than his newspaper eulogists represent him, in their charming innocence of scientific requirements. His reported "discoveries" have a mellowness of aspect that puts them in the vintage class.

When Shelley wrote of "the sensitive plant," he can scarcely have foreseen the discoveries of Professor Bose, remarks the journalist. To his poetic mind the idea of a plant actually experiencing depression when a cloud passed over the face of the sun might not have seemed any more far fetched than that of narcissi imitating their namesake and dying "of their own dear loveliness." But what about plants that respond like humans to the effects of cold, chloroform, and, alas, alcohol? Well, what about it? We read on to see. It appears that he has an "invention for recording life movement in plants" which has been "widely discussed the world over." This showed him that "plants are infinitely more sensitive than people." Let us be just to him, and in pointing out that this is not scientific language remember that it is probably not his own. The journalist takes the place of the electrician's "transformer." He can change a voltage of 100 into 200 or 50, according to his mood, without the suspicion of a creek among his well-oiled wheels. That humans are sensitive we know. That plants are sensitive we know, also, and have known long. That plants are even more sensitive than

the general public realizes is probably the point that Professor Bose would wish to convey, but he would not, we trust, commit himself to the claim that they are "infinitely more so." Why was he surprised (if he was) to find that a cloud passing over the sun caused a "sudden depression" in a plant he was studying? Our Kowloon observer noted that phenomenon in the case of the pink "sensitive plant" a dozen years ago.

His journalist UNRESTRAINED "could not, be TERMINOLOGY. satisfied with a depression—he had to make it a "sudden depression." He could not be satisfied with the professor's natural interest in the observation—he had to represent him as "wised. If he had thought of it could have represented him as "wisedly surprised. He could not be satisfied with a cloud obscuring the sun—it had, in order to vivify the story and emphasise the point, to be a "small cloud," of which the professor "himself" had not even been conscious. How then did the professor connect the "depression" recorded by his instrument with the small cloud of which he was unconscious? Ask the professor: he will probably answer that he never said anything so stupid. Ask the journalist: he would gape at you in honest amazement. What do such trifles matter? There is no mechanical instrument more sensitive than man himself, to an interruption of light, provided, of course, that he is normal. Without appreciable obscuration, appreciable by the man, neither plant nor machine would be affected.

Up to now nothing has IT GETS worse. more than a mild warning against the unwarranted character of "popular science" as newspapered. But it gets worse. He, the journalist—surely not the professor—goes on to assure us that "plants fall asleep like people." Let us accept the analogy, as an analogy. "Plants do not merely fold their leaves, as we believe, but they actually become unconscious." Here indeed is a surprising statement, big with implications that would provoke pamphlet upon pamphlet, book upon book. Do all plants "fold their leaves"? Do we humans become "unconscious" when we sleep. What is consciousness? Does it depend upon the idea of the ego? If so, can plants be egoistic? Observations of the Kowloon "sensitive plant" revealed a sort of consciousness, a something equivalent to animal reactions, and even to memory. These and numerous other questions suggest themselves: but we need not go into them now. Let us confine our thinking to the one suggestion, that plants go to sleep "like people," and become unconscious, like people asleep.

ALARM. Again let us hope CLOCKS. and not the man of science, who is addressing us, for we read: "This he had proved by the varying response of a plant during the 24 hours to an electric current. At first it answered vigorously, then its response became enfeebled, and finally, from 6 to 9 p.m., it did not answer at all." "showing," said the Professor, "that it mimicked the late habits of fashionable London." Let us not cavil at any joke. Jokes, however poor as to fruit or flower or foliage, are as wholesome for us as plants, debauching our moral atmosphere. But in any scientific issue, we are obliged to prove proofs. Can a plant which is sleeping, "like people," be awakened, "like people." Apparently not, since it did not respond to an electric current. Most of us would give up the idea of an alarm clock can revive us to consciousness, an electric current most certainly could. He is represented as "testing the thing for 24 hours only. No real scientist would be content with such a short investigation. In the first hours the plant answered vigorously." Then its response became enfeebled." Finally, from six to nine p.m., it did not answer at all. If the test was confined to 24 hours, what proved that the plant was asleep and unconscious? How did he know that the electric shocks had not killed it, that it wasn't dead? It is quite clear that the test must have lasted over several days, to warrant the conclusion that the plant was asleep and not dead. After nine p.m., if the plant did not again "answer vigorously," death and not sleep was indicated. Unless the first day's results were repeated on a second and third day, there was positively no excuse for the claim that sleep and unconsciousness, "like people," had been demonstrated.

CONCLUDING. really scientific. and OBSERVATIONS. ents it is now clearly recognized that there is no clearly defined line of demarcation between animal and vegetable. Marine biology has made this clear. In view of Prof. Schaeffer's remark to the British Association that the line between

the organic and inorganic is equally uncertain, our point is clear. In very many ways plants are "like people." They grow, breathe, have vascular systems, have consciousness or sensitiveness, but not Professor Bose, not his newspaper eulogist, can establish the absurd claims set forth in the clipping under analysis.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s. 7½d.

The formal opening of the Catholic Men's Club, Garden Road, takes place on Wednesday at 9 p.m.

To-day's return of notifiable disease shows seven cases of plague (three fatal) one of small-pox and one of diphtheria.

For creating a disturbance outside a tea house in Queen's Road East a Chinese was fined \$10 or two weeks' hard labour by Mr. Hutchison. According to Inspector Kent the defendant was in the habit of having refreshment and refusing to pay the bill. He had been brought to the Police Station three times but the shop people declined to charge him. On the present occasion he challenged the jokers of the tea house to combat, because they refused to serve him. His antics caused a crowd to collect, including a detective who arrested the cause of the trouble.

Before Mr. R. O. Hutchison this morning, a Chinese was charged with assaulting an Indian watchman at the Cosmopolitan Docks yesterday, wounding his head with a stone. When asked to plead, the defendant said: I did not intend to hurt him. It was done accidentally. Inspector Langan said the defendant and two other men attempted to get into the docks without the disc passes, and when the Indian turned them out, the defendant picked up a brick and hit him on the forehead with it. The defendant said the Indian chased him and was about to catch him, when in order to prevent his arrest, he picked up the brick and struck him.—\$10 fine or two weeks' hard labour.

A Japanese seaman of the s.s. "Shinyo Maru" was caught with thirteen revolvers and 1,250 rounds of ammunition. The Police let him out on bail of \$1,000. He failed to appear at the Magistracy this morning and his bail was exonerated by Mr. Hutchison. The weapons were found in a trunk in a Japanese boarding house in Wanchai. The Police were told the owner of the trunk had gone to Canton. They arrested defendant on his return. Inspector Kent told the Magistrate that there was no possibility of the defendant turning up. The shipping firm had undertaken to dismiss him when the ship arrived at Yokohama. The revolvers and ammunition were confiscated.

A foreigner named C. T. Thomson was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with begging in town. The defendant said he must have begged while he was drunk. He really had no necessity to beg, as he had plenty of money, and was being kept at the Seamen's Institute by the American Consul. He had lots of money to buy drinks with, but was "lonesome" and wanted company. He then launched into a lengthy and rambling story to the effect that he was brought here from Shanghai with a job as boatswain on a ship. He was promised twelve men to work under him, but when he arrived here, he was given only ten. Another injustice he had been subjected to, was that he was given a third class passage to Hongkong when he was entitled to a second class passage. When he "kicked" he was promised the difference on his arrival in Hongkong. That promise was never kept, and he refused to join the ship. He was now awaiting passage either back to Shanghai or to Manila. The Police said they had received numerous complaints about foreign seamen accosting people for money in town. Watch was kept, and Sergeant Fender arrested the defendant yesterday. His Worship discharged him with a caution.

An Indian was this morning charged before Mr. N. L. Smith with giving a wrong name when registering at the Central Police Station. Mr. Burlingham, A.S.P., said the defendant registered himself under the name of Baghat Singh, when his proper name, according to his Army discharge papers, was Khirbar Singh. The defendant registered himself for a post in the Macao Police Force. "Before leaving India, explained Mr. Burlingham, all ex-service men had to report to the Calcutta Police Station for identity papers, references, etc. Evidently the defendant knew that a man by the name of Baghat Singh had given in his papers at the Central Police Station and decided to assume that name and try to get employment in the Macao Police. This sort of thing was becoming very common lately, and had to be stopped. The defendant said he had two names. He was known in his village as Baghat Singh, which was his proper name. Khirbar Singh was the name under which he joined the Army. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

HANKOW RACE CLUB SENSATION.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

SERIOUS CHARGES PREFERRED AGAINST CLUB SECRETARY.

ALLEGED FORGED TICKETS.

Says the Central China Post of June 2—

Yesterday at the British Consular Court before Mr. F. A. Wallis, acting H. B. M. Vice-Consul, Mr. W. N. Haigh, Secretary of the Race Club, was brought up in custody in connection with the recently discovered forgery of certain prize winning tickets in the Cash Sweeps at the Spring Races.

Mr. A. V. Perry appeared on behalf of the Race Club and Mr. R. A. Frost represented the defence for Mr. Haigh. Mr. Perry, in outlining the charge which he intended to establish, said that the facts alleged against the accused, as would be shown by the witnesses he proposed to call, were that he had given orders to a Chinese printer to print two forged tickets, that he had afterwards pinned the said tickets to cheques for corresponding amounts and had proffered them to a certain member of the Race Club Committee for signature, and that, having obtained the signatures as required, he went to the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, cashed the cheques and converted the money to his own uses.

Liang Tsen-pao, the first witness called, deposed to being the manager of the Wha Chang Printing Office. He had received a message from Mr. Liu, comprador of the Race Club, by telephone the week before last saying that Mr. Haigh wished to speak to him. In consequence he went to the Race Club, saw Mr. Liu who said that Mr. Haigh wished to see him. He saw Mr. Haigh who showed him the stubs of certain ticket books and asked him "Did you print these?" to which he replied in the affirmative. Mr. Haigh then gave him an order to print two more tickets, one red and one green. The tickets were cash sweep tickets, and he was positive that they were just the same as those produced in Court. Mr. Haigh told witness to print numbers on the tickets as written on two visiting cards (Produced). After Mr. Haigh had given the order to print the tickets he had told witness to keep secret about the matter. Witness, however, had afterwards asked Mr. Liu about the matter, saying that as the tickets had been drawn already he did not know if they should be printed again. Mr. Liu advised him to comply with the orders of the secretary. Afterwards, as Mr. Haigh had asked him to keep the matter secret, he had himself taken the tickets to the Race Club and handed them to Mr. Haigh. He identified Mr. Haigh in Court as being the person to whom he had handed the tickets.

Mr. Liu Tsung-chai, Comprador to the Hankow Race Club and Recreation Ground, stated that all the Cash Sweep counterfoils after the races were handed into the secretary's office by the Cash Sweep Comprador. A few days after the Off Day the secretary had asked witness to have all the stubs put away so that the coolies might use them as fuel. Later the accused asked his clerk to make up a list of unpaid cash sweep prizes, and a few days afterwards he, the accused, had asked witness whether the stubs had been thrown away. As witness did not know he sent a coolie to find out, and as they had not been disposed of, Mr. Haigh had asked to have the stubs of certain races. The next day witness took all the stubs to accused who selected two or three books from two races and said that the rest could be thrown away. No Chinese had been seen coming to the Race Club to collect Cash Sweep prizes during the last week.

Shun Yen-fung, Accounts Clerk to the Race Club, said that he had made out a list of unclaimed prizes about a fortnight ago. They had been made from the race and cash sweep book which was identified by him. When a prize is paid it is always marked as paid in that book. The first prizes for the fifth and sixth races of the first extra Off Day were not paid at the time he made the list.

Inspector J. Paul, of the Hankow British Municipal Police, gave evidence, that he was present when the printer was taken to the Race Club. He saw the box of visiting cards in the Secretary's roll-top desk. The printer pointed the cards out to him. There were 98 cards left in the box. He was also present at the search and arrest of the printer. Mr. H. F. Baker, a member of the committee of the Race Club, gave evidence relative to the entry into the minutes of that Club concerning the appointment of Mr. Haigh as secretary. On May 21 accused had approached witness and asked him to come into the office and sign some cheques on behalf of the Chairman of the Club. The cheques were for Cash Sweep prizes and had Cash Sweep tickets pinned to them. Accused had come to witness' office the following morning and had asked him to sign two more cheques in place of these which had been signed the day previous, which had been drawn upon a wrong account. Accused had brought the two cancelled cheques with him.

WEDDING.

KREBS-WAGER.

The wedding took place at St. Andrew's Church on Saturday, the Rev. G. R. Lindsay officiating of Mr. Henry Krebs third son of the late Mr. Adolphe Krebs and Mrs. Krebs, of La Chaux de Fonds, Switzerland, and Miss Bertha Dorleska Wager, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wager of Seattle, Washington. The bridegroom is employed at Messrs. Gerin Drevard. The bride was given away by Mr. A. Hicks and was attired in a dress of ivory charmeuse with an over dress of chintilly lace and silk net. She also wore a veil and orange blossoms and carried a bouquet of white roses, maidenhair fern tied with tulle streamers. The bridesmaid was Miss Wheeler, who was dressed in pale pink and mauve orcinie cream silk with a straw picture hat. Her bouquet was of pink roses, maidenhair fern and lavender flowers which were tied with pink streamers. Miss Lajella Routh was also in attendance as flower girl wearing a dress of georgette with a satin cap. She carried a bouquet of pink roses, maidenhair fern tied with pink ribbon. Mr. W. R. Buckenrough was the best man. The organist was Lieut. Dale. After the ceremony a reception was held at 2, Humphrey's Buildings, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hicks. Mr. and Mrs. Krebs left by motor for Fanning for the honeymoon and will later proceed to Canton.

AUCTION SALE OF RICE.

A considerable quantity of Tonkin Rice, was auctioned off to-day, at noon at Messrs. Yue Fat's godown in Kennedy Town, for the account of this concern. Although the auction is being held at the Yue Fat Godown, the sale included quantities stored elsewhere. 1676 bags of the rice are stored in Yue Fat's godown, Kennedy Town, 110 bags in Wah Kee's godown, Kennedy Town, 135 bags in No. 12 godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kennedy Town, 200 bags in No. 10 Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., West Point, and 150 bags in No. 9 Godown of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at West Point. Messrs. Lammet Bros. were the auctioneers and the fair price of \$7.65 per picul for most of the rice was obtained. The bidding was fairly active, but the market, of course, is very weak at present.

Mr. J. E. Wright, Cashier of the Chartered Bank, gave evidence that on the morning of May 22 Mr. Haigh had presented two cheques over the bank counter for payment. He had passed the cheques and had paid the money in notes to accused. He identified the cheques as being those produced in Court.

Mr. S. Tweedie, Clerk in the firm of Messrs. Thomson Brothers & Bell, Auditors to the Race Club, stated that the two cross on the tickets produced in Court signified that the prize money had been paid. Whilst checking the "D" accounts referring to the First Extra Off Day, he had found them to be all in order. On Wednesday the 26th instant in the morning he went to the Chartered Bank to have the pass-book made up which was checked on the previous Friday as being in order. When the pass book was made up, however, it was found that the amount on the two tickets in question had been paid twice over. Witness subsequently went to the Race Club in the afternoon of the same day and took the two tickets with him. He went into the office and showed them to Mr. Haigh, and the accused had produced two other tickets, which witness then identified in Court. When auditing the cash of the Cash Sweeps, witness stated that he checked against Mr. Tong's list for tickets paid and not against the entries in the Cash Sweep book.

Mr. Perry then begged to draw the Court's attention to the tickets, remarking that it was noticeable that the ink used in writing upon the forged tickets was of a lighter tint than that upon the originals and upon the stubs, also the "chops" upon the forged tickets, did not coincide with the stubs. The above depositions having been taken, Mr. Perry asked the Court to enter a charge against the accused of having forged certain documents, namely Cash Sweep tickets Nos. 1017 and 1268 being the winning tickets of the first prizes in the fifth and sixth races of the First Extra Off Day of the Hankow Spring Meeting; further, with having uttered false documents with intent to defraud, and thirdly, in his capacity as Secretary of the Hankow Race Club with having appropriated to his own use and benefit the moneys of a public company.

The Judge then formally read the charges against the accused which were in terms similar to those suggested by Counsel for the Prosecution. Mr. Frost, on behalf of defendant said that he wished to reserve his defence. He would like to see the Court that the hearing be adjourned. The Court granted the request and the hearing was adjourned until Saturday morning next at 10.30.

SPECIAL CABLES.

SIAM'S HEIR APPARENT DEAD.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, June 13. Prince Pitsanuloke, heir apparent of Siam, died here to-day of pneumonia following influenza.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, June 13. A private wire from Japan says Brussiloff has overthrown the Bolshevik Government. Trotsky has been killed. Lenin has escaped.

MAURITIUS SUGAR CROPS.

[China Mail Special.]

SINGAPORE, June 13. Mauritius has sold to England the sugar crops for 1920 and 1921 at ninety shillings f.o.b. British India must obtain supplies from Java. Market prices are rising.

A WEIRD STORY.

CORPSE THAT MOVED ITS ARMS.

Inspector Kent this morning charged a Chinese, before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, with assaulting a Chinese woman on Saturday. The defendant denied the charge. The Inspector said that the woman came to No. 2 Police Station on Saturday evening, and complained that she had been assaulted by a man. He did not think the matter serious at the time, and sent her away. "On the Sunday morning, her husband came to the station in a state of great excitement and announced that his wife was dead. A Sergeant was sent to the house with a coffin to remove her to the mortuary. Arrived at the house, the Sergeant's suspicion was aroused that she was shamming, and as a test, he moved one of her arms from her chest and placed it by her side. The "dead" woman herself replaced the arm on her chest. Further examination revealed the fact that the woman was in a semi-conscious condition, and the coffin was substituted by the ambulance, and she was removed to the hospital where she was examined by the doctor who certified that she had several bruises on her body. The Inspector said that the woman was before his Worship some months ago charged with "flying the white pigeon" on a Sanitary coolie, and he thought the present trouble was the result of a squabble between her present husband and the defendant who was a former lover. The woman was not detained in hospital, and was present in Court, "very much alive." The defendant said the woman had swindled him out of some money. When he met her on Saturday he asked her for its return, and without any warning, she and another person "flew at him like wild cats" and scratched his face and body. He retaliated with a push, and the woman fell. Inspector Kent said he thought this was some society affair. He would not have taken a serious view of the matter but for the fact that the woman was in a certain condition. His Worship called the woman's husband, and bound the parties over to keep the peace for six months, the defendant in the sum of \$100 and the woman and her husband \$50 each.

STRAITS DEFENCE BILL.

MR. DARBISHIRE INVITES A PROTEST.

Mr. C. W. Darbishire writes from London to the *Straits Times*:—"I see that in one of your recent leading articles you expressed the hope that an appeal to the Imperial Authorities would be made against the allowance of this Bill. I may say that when I received the Bill I at once handed it to Sir Donald Macdonald, in the hope that he would bring it to the notice of the House of Commons. After due consideration, however, he informed me that he was not prepared to take any action unless there was some strong public expression of local opinion forthcoming against it. It therefore rests with those on your side who are opposed to the measure to make a move and I trust that they will do so. I read the report of the debate in Council on Second Reading, with much interest, and the thought of the pleasure which it would have given me to have allied myself with Messrs. Goodrich, Cleaver and Upcott in their stand against such an unsound and iniquitous piece of legislation almost made me wish that I were back in Singapore again. If I can be of any service in the matter, you have only to call upon me.

A GOOD RULE FOR THE HOME.
MAKE it a rule of your home to always keep on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaints. It always cures promptly and no household is safe without it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE NEW FLOTILLA.

The following additional details regarding the flotilla of sloops and gunboats which arrived on Saturday as reported by the *China Mail* may be found of interest.

The gunboats, Moth, Mantis, Cricket, Cockchafer and Cicada are all war productions being specially built for light work. They are powerfully engined and carry six inch guns. The Cockchafer, which may be taken as a fair example is 250 feet long with a 36 feet beam. The displacement is 640 tons and she draws only 4 feet. Her engines are of 2,000 h.p. and can do up to 14 knots on small coal consumption. Either coal or oil fuel can be used. Coal bunkers can take 35 tons and the fuel tanks provide for 54 tons. She is armed with two 6 inch guns, two 12 pounders and half a dozen machine-guns. The Moth and Mantis did service in Mesopotamian waters, and took a prominent part in the advance on Bagdad. They were in the river flotilla under Capt. Wilfrid Nunn, D.S.O. They were engaged in many bombardments both being badly hit.

The sloops are part of the "herbaceous border" which consists of some 120 ships named after flowers. They are 255 feet in length, 35½ feet beam, displacement of 1,250 tons and draught of 10 feet. Their engines of 2,400 h.p. give a speed of 17 knots. The armament generally consists of four 7 inch guns, and two 8 pounders. They have a good steaming radius bunkering 250 tons of coal.

The officers are—

H.M.S. "COLOMBO."

Capt. Percy Withers (in command).

Lieut.-Comdr. Wharton S. Gray

Lieut.-Comdr. Francis W. Crowther, D.S.C.

Lieutenants Bryan Wingfield,

John E. Caffin, Francis R. B. Studly,

and John E. Hackett.

Engr.-Comdr. Geo. H. S. Sanders, D.S.O.

Surgeon-Lieut. Frederick W. Farlow.

Capt. R. M. Edward G. M. Roe.

Surgeon-Comdr. Arthur I. Sheldon.

Paymaster-Lieut.-Comdr. Richard F. Durman.

Surgeon-Lieut. F. G. Hunt, M.B.

Paymaster-Lieut. Reginald C. F. Phillips.

Sub-Lieuts. F. T. Boswell, A. M.

Hutchinson and R. C. D. Grimes.

Gunnery F. W. Ritter, J. C. Ackerman and H. W. Groves.

Warrant Shipwright A. E. Burns.

Artificer Engineer W. M. Oldrieve.

Warrant Mechanician E. M. Ephgrave, D.C.M.

H.M.S. "CRICKET."

Lieut.-Comdr. J. Merrett in command.

Lieutenant G. E. P. Howe.

Acting-Lieut. H. C. Guernsey.

H.M.A. "COCKCHAFFER."

Lieut.-Comdr. A. C. Thursfield, in command.

Lieut. W. W. T. Beckett, D.S.C.

Acting-Sub-Lieut. R. H. S. Peter.

H.M.S. "FOXGLOVE."

Lieut. C. D. Milbourne, in command.

Acting-Lieut. G. Buchanan.

Surgeon-Lieut. N. A. H. Barlow.

Acting-Sub-Lieut. A. E. B. Rose.

H.M.S. "BLUEBELL."

Commander A. E. B. Stanley, in command.

Lieut. A. D. Nicholl.

Surgeon-Lieut. J. C. Sinclair.

Acting-Sub-Lieut. J. A. E. de Moleyns.

H.M.S. "CICALA."

Lieut.-Comdr. R. G. M. Hunt, D.S.O., in command.

Surgeon-Lieut. O. J. M. Kerrigan.

Acting-Sub-Lieut. A. J. S. Eastley.

H.M.S. "MOTH."

Commander E. Johnston, D.S.O., in command.

Lieut. C. Appleton.

Acting-Sub-Lieut. T. L. Aikin.

H.M.S. "MANTIS."

Lieut.-Comdr. G. E. H. Lawson, in command.

Lieut. R. F. Jolly.

H.M.S. "HOLLYHOCK."

Commander K. Boyes, C.M.G., in command.

Lieuts. W. G. White (First Lieut.)

and H. H. Hancox.

Sub-Lieut. K. N. Mack-Macrae.

Lieut. Surgeon G. F. Heath.

H.M.S. "MAGNOLIA."

Lieut. R. J. Richards.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVAL.

The s.s. "Lowther Castle," Capt. T. H. Hughes, 2,740 tons, arrived this morning at 7 a.m., from Shanghai with 900 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Shimizu Maru," Capt. S. Mori, 1,938.29 tons, arrived this morning at 9 a.m., from Singapore with 401 tons of general cargo.

DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Hoihow," Capt. Caver, sailed for Iloilo at 4 p.m. to-day with 1,700 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Fooler," Capt. Miyozaka, sailed for Chefoo via Dairen at 3 p.m. to-day with 300 tons of general cargo.

"WALLA-WALLAS." Double-ended harbour tug, never double-cross you. Phone No. 3518.

MR. W. C. COLLINS MEETS WITH FATAL ACCIDENT.

Mr. William C. Collins, an electrical engineer employed by the China Light and Power Company, Ltd., met with a tragic accident, Saturday afternoon, at Mongkok, resulting in his death. He was engaged in superintending the repair of a cable broken during the storm on Saturday morning, and when he met with the unfortunate accident was standing on a ladder endeavouring to pull a flexible coil from the ceiling. Unknown to Mr. Collins the wire was charged with current. The sudden shock of electricity caused him to fall from the ladder, striking on his head, he sustaining a severe wound. His death, from concussion of the brain, took place immediately after, despite medical assistance promptly rendered.

The deceased was a young man of 24 years who came to Hongkong as a member of the Lancashire Regiment. After obtaining his discharge from the Army he joined the Hongkong Police Force. Being an electrical engineer he received a favourable offer of employment with the China Light and Power Company, about nine months ago, of which he took advantage. It is understood that he was engaged to be married.

Little or nothing is known by the company officials as to his relatives and friends at home, and endeavour is being made by them to discover who his next of kin are, so that they may be apprised of the fact and circumstances of the regrettable death of this active and promising young man.

The funeral took place Sunday evening at Happy Valley and was largely attended. A large number of floral offerings were placed over the grave.

THE "LAURENTIC'S" GOLD.

SEARCH FOR LOST MILLIONS.

It is hoped that during the next six months several million pounds' worth of gold ingots will be recovered from the "Laurentic," which was sunk by a German submarine in Lough Swilly in 1917.

The Admiralty salvage steamer "Racer" has arrived, operations will begin as soon as the weather permits. They have been held up during the winter.

"No statement can be made as to the exact amount of treasure on the ship, as the Treasury is anxious that we should not disclose the figure," said an Admiralty official to a Press representative. It is understood, however, that when the ship was torpedoed there was between six and eight millions' worth of bullion aboard. Ingots valued at £2,000,000 have been recovered during previous operation.

TIME BY WIRELESS.

SIGNAL ROUND THE WORLD.

M. Bigourdan, member of the Academy of Science, has been appointed a director of the International Science Bureau at Brussels, which is to send the time all over the world by wireless telegraphy. In an interview M. Bigourdan said experiments were now being made to perfect wireless signals by means of musical interrupted waves of 125 miles wave length. The Bureau will send out the time at 10.30 a.m. and 11 p.m.

KINEMA NOTES.

HONGKONG THEATRE.

A seven part picture entitled "The Common Law" is the attraction at the Hongkong Theatre. The story is by Robert W. Chambers and features Clara Kimball Young. The picture has proved a great draw during its run at the Theatre and will be shown for the last time to-morrow night. The "Carter Case" is being continued at the 7.15 performances.

THE DOLLAR.

Today's closing rate 3/7½.
Today's opening rate 3/7½
On June 14, 1919 3/6 15/16

To-night's the night—for the Pharies' performance in the Theatre Royal at 9.15 p.m. punctually. If you cannot come yourself, send some of your friends.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 29th May, 1920, amounted to 97,909 tons, and the sales during the period to 73,165 tons.

NOW IS THE TIME.

FOR rheumatism you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Now is the time to get rid of it. Try this liniment and see how quickly it will relieve the pain and soreness. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

FEWER WIVES.

CAUSES OF DECLINE IN POLYGAMY.

Polygamy, we are told, is dying out in Persia, owing partly to the expense of keeping more wives than one and partly to the increasing influence of "Western" ideas and standards.

A similar decline in the practice has been for some time noticeable in other countries. "Broadly the Christian Church insists on monogamy," Mr. Frank Lenwood, one of the foreign secretaries of the London Missionary Society, said to a representative of *The Observer*, "but in its dealing with uncivilised races it will sometimes allow a man to come into the Church who has two wives. The practice differs; it is one of the disputed points. On the other hand, if a man once in the Church were to marry two wives he would not be allowed to remain."

"I know India and China, and quite distinctly the same sort of movement as that reported in Persia is going on there. In India there are two factors in the practice of polygamy: you have it more amongst the Mohammedans than the Hindus, and more among the rich than the poor. Among Hindus, with whom monogamy is the rule and the tradition, polygamy is disappearing. I know less about the Mohammedans. They are a backward people as a rule, and any new movement touches them last."

The general feeling in India approximates more and more to that of the West, and the movement towards monogamy is quite a marked one, especially among men who have been educated in the West. Occasionally, however, one hears of some exceptional case.

"A Pathan officer whom I met in France and who had a wife in India, became engaged to a French girl, with the consent both of his own and the French family. He intended to marry the girl and take her back with him to India, but I am sure she had not the faintest conception of what she was going out to, for a union of that kind is perfectly fatal. The warning, in fact, may be usefully given that any girl who is inclined to marry a non-Christian Indian, whether a Mohammedan or Hindu, would do well to make sure in the most careful way that she is not likely to have another wife brought into the household. It would be very much better if inter-marriage between the races occurred only where both side are Christian, that is the great guarantee."

"In China, where some wealthy men have many wives, there is the same movement towards the abolition of polygamy. It is largely due, I think, to the higher place that women are taking in general affairs, coupled with the spreading influence of Christianity."

"When there are many wives there is often a great deal of jealousy. Indeed, a man in Hongkong put the whole position very clearly to one of our women doctors. 'One piece wife,' he said, 'everything all right; two piece wife, too much plenty bobby.'"

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

WANTED.

WANTED—A First Class EURO-PEAN or EURASIAN NURSE. Apply to No. 137, The Peak.

WANTED.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED.—For Swatow Export and Import House. Good opportunities to the right party who is willing and efficient. Fare paid and living quarters included. Call room 455, Hongkong Hotel, by TUESDAY, noon, for interview.

TO LET.

TO LET.—On ground floor, St. George's Building, facing Ice House Street, large and commodious area with two large show windows, suitable for SHIPPING OFFICES or STORE and SHOW-ROOMS. Apply SHERMAN TOWNS & Co.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE EXTRA GYMKHANA MEETING OF THE SEASON will be held at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, the 19th inst., commencing at 4 P.M.

The Charge of Admission will be \$1.00 for others than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club or Gymkhana Club.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform Half Price.

The Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

Hongkong, June 14, 1920.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

THE Management of the "CHINA MAIL" desires to inform the public that its tariff for advertisements received on and after this date will be increased by 50 per cent.

This increase is rendered imperative by the constantly growing cost of production, the price of paper alone having advanced by 700 per cent during the past five years.

In order to meet these conditions newspapers and magazines all over the world have been obliged to raise their subscription and advertising rates—in some cases by as much as 100 per cent—and, at the same time, to curtail the size and number of pages. For the present, however, it has been decided, in the interests of the public generally and of advertisers in particular, to leave the price of the "CHINA MAIL" unchanged.

Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

TO SECRETARIES OF CLUBS AND OTHER INSTITUTIONS.

AS from to-day, all preliminary notices of forthcoming meetings, lectures and entertainments, sent for insertion in the news columns of the "CHINA MAIL" will be charged for at the rate of \$1 each, providing they do not occupy more than four lines. If this space is exceeded they will be placed in the advertising columns at the prevailing rates.

Hongkong, May 17, 1920.

THE CATHOLIC MEN'S CLUB.

Garden Road,

will be opened by

His LOYALTY Bishop D. Pozzoni

WEDNESDAY, 16th June, at 9 P.M.

It is hoped that all Members, and British Catholics intending to become Members, will endeavour to be present. Members may bring their lady friends on WEDNESDAY evening.

The General Committee specially hope that there will be a large attendance of Catholic members of the Naval and Military forces, for whom the Club is primarily being opened.

A musical programme is being arranged.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

(FOR ACCOUNT OF HER CONCERNED),

ON

TUESDAY,

June 15, 1920, at 2.30 p.m.,

at their Sales Rooms,

No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

One Victoria with cabinet and records.

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 14, 1920.

(FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED),

ON

TUESDAY,

June 15, 1920, at 2.30 p.m.,

at their Sales Rooms, No. 8,

Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,

One Piano by Weber—London, (very good condition)

Two large Screens

Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,

Auctioneers.

Hongkong, June 14, 1920.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"LOWTHER CASTLE"

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Underigned on or before the 31st inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst. at 10 a.m. by Messrs Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hongkong, June 14, 1920.

CAUSE OF DESPONDENCY.

DESPONDENCY is often caused by indigestion and constipation, and quickly disappears when Chamberlain's Tablets are taken. These tablets strengthen the digestion and move the bowels. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

NOTICES:

Packed where they grow, the day they are picked.

APRICOTS	"Del Monte"	per tin	60
APPLES	"S & W"	"	60
BLACKCURRANTS	IXL	"	50
BLACKBERRIES	"Del Monte"	"	50
CHERRIES WHITE	"	"	60
" BLACK	"	"	70
DAMSONS	Chivers	"	60
FRUIT SALAD	Cluff's	"	90
GREENGAGES	"Del Monte"	"	50
LOGANBERRIES	"	"	60
PEACHES	"	"	60
" SLICED	"	"	60
PEARS BARTLETT	"	"	60
PINEAPPLE	"	"	45
PLUMS VICTORIA	"	"	60
RED & GOLDEN	Chivers	"	60
RASPBERRIES	"Del Monte"	"	75
STRAWBERRIES	"	"	75

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HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD. AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.

Sailings—To Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays excepted) and 10 p.m.
From Canton daily at 8 a.m. (Sundays excepted) and 8 p.m.

SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

SAILINGS—

To Macao—daily at 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. (Sundays at 9 a.m.)
From Macao—daily at 8.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. (Sundays at 6 p.m.)

Police Permits to leave the Colony are not required.

Further information may be obtained at the Company's Office, Hotel Mansions, or from Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son, Booking Agents, Hongkong.

DODWELL & COMPANY, LTD.

STEAMSHIP SERVICES.

NEW YORK.

S.S. "LOWTHER CASTLE"

About end of July.

LLOYD TRIESTINO

FOR SHANGHAI AND YOKOHAMA.

S.S. "PERSIA"

Sailing on or about 20th June.

FOR BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLING
TO LEVANT, BLACK SEA & DANUBE PORTS.

NANYO YUSEN KAISHA, Ltd.

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Regular Service between

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FOR JAPAN.

S.S. "RIOTUN MARU"

Sailing on or about 25th June.

FOR JAVA.

S.S. "HOKUTO MARU"

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Monthly direct service via Singapore and Port Said.

HAYRE MARU (Call Marseilles) Thursday, 17th June.

HIMALAYA MARU (Call Marseilles) Sunday, 11th July.

BUENOS AIRES—Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Montevideo, Durban and

Cape Town via Singapore.

SEATTLE MARU Thursday, 8th July.

MEXICO MARU Beginning of August.

OMBAY & COLOMBO—Regular fortnightly service via S'pore.

GANGES MARU Friday, 25th June.

BURMA MARU Middle of July.

HAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE—Regular Monthly

service.

SHISEN MARU Friday, 2nd July.

EDNEY & MELBOURNE—Monthly service taking cargo to

New Zealand and Pacific Islands.

MITSUKI MARU Thursday, 17th June.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE & TACOMA—

Regular fortnightly service touching at immediate ports in

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with Chicago MILWAUKEE & ST. PAUL RAILWAY.

ARIZONA MARU Saturday, 17th July.

NEW YORK—Regular monthly service via Japan ports, San Francisco,

Panama and Cuban Ports.

AMAZON MARU Saturday, 26th June.

JAPAN PORTS—Mojito, Kobe Yokohama, Yokohama.

KOSOKU MARU Monday, 21st June.

RELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY—These steamers have

excellent accommodation for 1st and 2nd class saloon passen-

gers and will arrive at and depart from the O.S.K. wharf

near the Harbour Office.

AKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

BOSHU MARU Thursday, 17th June.

For sailing dates and further particulars please apply to—

Y. YASUDA,

Manager.

No. 1, Queen's Building.

Tel. No. 744 and 745.

THE CHINA & AUSTRALIA S. S. CO. LTD.

For MELBOURNE & SYDNEY, via MANILA.

SANDAKAN & QUEENSLAND PORTS

"GARO" (Cargo only) July 2nd.

"HWAH KONG" July 4th.

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For Passage and Freight apply to—

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SAILING SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR STEAMERS TO SAIL

HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG KATONG June 15, at 9 a.m.

SWATOW & BANGKOK LUCHOW June 15, at 11 a.m.

AMOI, SHANGHAI AND FUKOW ICHANG June 15, at 3 p.m.

SHANGHAI June 15, at 5 p.m.

WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN RICHOW June 15, at 4 p.m.

SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO CHENAN June 19, at 4 p.m.

AMOI, SHANGHAI AND FUKOW SCIVANG June 22, at 3 p.m.

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Saloon accommodation, electric light and fans in Saloon and

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"ICOMIUM" About June 22nd.

"WEHATLAND MONTANA" About July 12th.

"ENDICOTT" About July 18th.

"ELKTON" About Aug. 12th.

For PORTLAND Direct.

(Calling at Shanghai and Kobe).

"MONTAGUE" About June 15th.

"WABAN" About June 23rd.

"ABERCOB" About July 14th.

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From Yokohama. *Call at Keelung. *Omitting call at Shanghai.

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Thence by Trans-Andean Route to Buenos Aires.

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Tickets are interchangeable with the Canadian Pacific Ocean Service, Ltd.

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Passengers may travel by rail between ports of call in Japan free of charge.

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Monteagle Aug. 12 Sept. 5

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Empress of Japan Sept. 14 Oct. 5

Empress of Asia Sept. 23 Oct. 11

Empress of Russia Oct. 21 Nov. 8

Monteagle Oct. 26 Nov. 19

Empress of Japan Nov. 9 Nov. 30

Empress of Asia Nov. 18 Dec. 6

Empress of Russia Dec. 18 Jan. 3

Passengers to Europe are strongly urged to determine the exact

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HAICHONG Capt. W. C. Passmore FRIDAY, 18th June, at 2 p.m.

HAICHONG Capt. A. H. Stewart TUESDAY, 22nd June, at 2 p.m.

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Cargo carried on through Bills of Lading from HONGKONG to BEIRA,

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TO

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FOR PARTICULARS OF SAILINGS SHIPPERS ARE

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For STRAITS SAILA

LONDON AND HAMBURG. "KATHLANA" On 10th July

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MAIL AND PASSENGER SERVICES
STRAITS, JAVA, BURMA, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST
INDIES, MAURITIUS, EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALASIA.
INCLUDING NEW ZEALAND AND QUEENSLAND PORTS, RED
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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL SAILINGS (South)

S. S.	Tons	From	Destination
"NELLORE"	7,000	18th June	MASSILLON LONDON & A'warp.
"KARMA"	9,000	1st July	MASSILLON LONDON & A'warp.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"JAPAN"	6,100	18th June	Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta.
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	20th July	Melbourne via Sandakan, Thursday Island, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney.
"EASTERN"	4,000	18th Aug.	

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"GREGORY APCAR"	4,500	16th June	Shanghai and Kobe.
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Steamers and sailing dates are liable to be cancelled or altered without notice.
Parcels measuring not more than 3 ft. x 2 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
Consignees are reminded of the necessity to apply to the Company's Agents regarding arrival of consignments expected of which they have received documents or advice.
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For Further Information Passage Fares, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to
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TAJIMA MARU (Calling Manila & Keelung) ... 30th June, at 11 a.m.
KATORI MARU (Calling Manila) ... Sunday, 4th July, at 11 a.m.

LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said & Marseilles.

INABA MARU ... Sunday, 27th June, at Noon.
KAMO MARU ... Friday, 9th July, at Noon.
IYO MARU ... Friday, 23rd July, at Noon.

HAMBURG, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

TSURUGA MARU ... Monday, 21st June.

LIVERPOOL & MARSSEILLES via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.

TORIWA MARU ... Friday, 9th July.

MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 23rd June, at 11 a.m.
NIKKO MARU ... Wednesday, 21st July, at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK & HAVANA via Kobe, Yokohama, Murnora, San Francisco, Panama & Colon.

TOYOOKA MARU ... Sunday, 27th June.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

KAWACHI MARU ... Beginning of July.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

TAIAN MARU ... Friday, 18th June.
YETOROFU MARU ... Friday, 2nd July.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

DELAGOA MARU ... Sunday, 27th June.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

NIKKO MARU ... Monday, 21st June, at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 21st July, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

PENANG MARU ... Wednesday, 16th June.
IYO MARU ... Friday, 18th June, at 11 a.m.

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S. YABUDA, Manager.

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ORIGIN	VESSEL'S NAME	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	NO. OF DEPARTURE
San Francisco via Shanghai & Japan, &c.	Shinyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 17th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Yokohama Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 18th July.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Colon Maru	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 16th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 16th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Nile	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 16th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	China	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 16th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Crossing	The Admiral Line	On 16th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Arabia Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 16th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Fushimi Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th June, at 11 a.m.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Russia	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 1st July.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Ltd.	On 1st July.
Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama	Penang Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th June.
Australian Ports via Manila	Pango Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th June, at 11 a.m.
Australian Ports via Japan	Kyo Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 16th June.
Shanghai and Kobe	Gregory APCAR	P. & O. B.I. & A.L.	On 15th June.
Portland	Montague	The Admiral Line	About 16th June.
Shanghai and Yokohama	Persia	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	About 20th June.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Nikko Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th June, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Davao	P. & O. B.I. & A.L.	On 16th June.
Amoy, Shanghai and Peking	Ichang	Butterfield & Swire	On 16th June, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai and Tientsin	Chusan	Butterfield & Swire	On 16th June, at 4 p.m.
Calcutta via Straits & Rangoon	Delagoa Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th June.
Singapore, Penang & Belawan-Deli	Van Waerwijck	Java-China-Japan Lijn	On 17th June.
Colombo via Swatow and Amoy	Kaijo Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 16th June.
Singapore, Bangkok & Singapore	Shisen Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 16th June.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hailong	Douglas Lapsait & Co.	On 16th June, at 2 p.m.
San Francisco Direct	Eastern Traders	Struthers and Dixon, Inc.	On 16th June.
Bombay & Colombo	Ganges Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 16th June.
London and Antwerp	Hayra Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 16th June.
London via Spore, Pang & Cebu	Izumi Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th June, at Noon.
Manila, Delagoa Bay, Durban	Seattle Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 16th June.
Marseilles, London & Antwerp	Yellere	P. & O. B.I. & A.L.	On 16th June.
Takao via Swatow and Amoy	Sochu Maru	Ozaka Shosen Kaisha	On 17th June.

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Hongkong, April 1, 1912.

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S.S. "ECUADOR" ... TUESDAY, June 15th.
S.S. "COLOMBIA" ... WEDNESDAY, July 14th.
S.S. "VENEZUELA" ... WEDNESDAY, August 11th.

ALSO

The following U.S. Shipping Board vessels

S.S. "WEST CONOB" ... Beginning of June for Baltimore via
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U. S. PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES.

AND SOME OF THE ISSUES.

[By Sir JOHN FOSTER FRASER.]

Some of the runners in the race for the Presidency of the United States are already falling out. Half a dozen Republicans, however, are still pressing forward. Several States are boosting the "favourite son" and emissaries are invading neighbouring States to expound what a fine fellow he is.

Mr. Lowden of Illinois, who has been a successful Governor of the State, is a good business man, very wealthy—having married the daughter of the late Mr. Pullman, of railway coach fame—seems to be making the most individual headway.

But a number of State Conventions, whilst boosting the "favourite son," have given General Leonard Wood as second choice. This would indicate—when the National Convention of the Republican Party is held, and the "favourite sons" fail to receive wide support from the champions of other favourite sons—that the Republican nomination will fall upon General Leonard Wood.

FRIEND OF ROOSEVELT.

The General was a friend of Mr. Roosevelt's; he preaches a vigorous Americanism; and he is something of a martyr; it is alleged Mr. Woodrow Wilson victimised him by preventing him having a command in France during the war; this was retaliation for criticising the Democratic Administration for failing in preparedness before the United States entered the fray.

General Wood has a military outlook and is a champion for compulsory military training. A Bill furthering this was turned down by the House of Representatives the other day.

Whilst many ardent Republicans believe the mantle of Roosevelt has fallen upon the shoulders of General Wood, there is a considerable amount of solid opinion against having a soldier as President, on principle. The United States has had experience of soldier-Presidents, and they were not a success.

Several vibrant Republicans are touring the country and beating their individual drums for the Presidency. The most gesticulatory is Mr. Hiram Johnson, of California, who tells of the awful things which will befall America if it joins the League of Nations, and who has a certain popularity because he never misses an opportunity to traduce Great Britain and scorn the beggarly nations of Europe. But Mr. Hiram Johnson is not taken seriously by serious people.

The Democrats seem to be "lying low" in regard to a candidate. Mr. Wilson's speech puts it out of the question that he will run for a third term. There was a general belief his son-in-law, Mr. McAdoo, who is a financier, would endeavour to succeed Mr. Wilson. But Mr. McAdoo has given emphatic denial that he is a candidate.

For about nine days there was a Herbert Hoover boom—but he has lived out of the United States for sixteen years and is suspected of being appreciative of the English, and as this "must impair his good Americanism," Mr. Hoover has been speedily ruled out.

MR. BRYAN INTERVENES.

An interesting feature of the struggle is the intervention of Mr. William Jennings Bryan. Mr. Bryan has been Democratic candidate for the Presidency on two or three occasions, and it is a matter of history that eight years ago it was his influence which secured Mr. Wilson the Democratic nomination. For some years, however, Mr. Bryan has been considered a "back number," and the Press has been inclined to treat him as an elderly Nebraska gentleman who drinks grape juice and is inclined to pacifism.

Mr. Bryan, however, has descended upon Washington. It is realised that his personal power in the Middle States is still enormous, especially amongst those who in England would be called the "Nonconformist teetotal crowd." He is no longer a candidate for the Presidency, but it is pretty evident that no Democrat has a chance of reaching the White House unless he has the approval of Mr. Bryan.

At the present time Mr. Bryan's

principal work is "queering the pitch" of any ambitious Democrat who may seek popularity by even suggesting the existing "dry laws" might be amended. Mr. Bryan is after any politician who would in the slightest degree pander to the low appetites of the "wets."

RYAL PARTY POLICIES.

It is difficult to draw clearly defined lines of demarcation between the policies of the Republicans and the Democrats in the campaign. I think it may be said that the Republicans are super patriots, urge America for the Americans, avoid responsibilities towards other countries, crush red radicalism, deport disgruntled aliens, stand no nonsense from striking workmen, adopt compulsory military training, and have a big navy—keep America the boss of the world, and push on with material prosperity. The Democrats, not yielding anything to their opponents in being genuine Americans, are inclined to believe there could be a working relationship with other countries to maintain peace and avoid an increase of armaments, lean rather toward recognising the claims of the working classes, are disposed to a big programme of social legislation and the pressing down of the high cost of living by measures against trusts and combinations—indeed, what might be called a Liberal programme.

LABOUR'S "CHIEF TENCING."

But the Labour Party in America—openly declaring the chief thing is increased wages—has cried "a plague on both your houses" to Republicans and Democrats. Industrial elements in the United States lack the cohesive labour in Britain—and by that very reason the antagonisms in America are more ominous. With much writhing and bitterness the Labour Party of the United States is coming into existence as a political force.

Critics of the present Administration are to be heard declaring that before the Presidential election comes the Democrats will declare a big social legislation programme in order to capture the Labour vote, just as in some other circles one hears that the long drawn dispute between America and Mexico is being held up till the eve of the election, when hostilities are likely to break out and the plea will be advanced that it is dangerous to swap Administrations whilst a war is on. Of course, the visitor knows nothing of the truth of these assertions.

In business circles there is some fear that the success of the Democrats will mean trucking to the demands of Labour. There is little of the spirit of conciliation and concession in industrial disputes; the temper is that now is the time to fight the thing to a finish. Severe measures against those favouring a revolution in industrial laws and the imprisonment of Labour leaders who counsel strikes which are disadvantageous to the public is the position taken up by millions of Americans.

Though there is nervousness concerning America getting enmeshed in European diplomacy—especially if financial or military responsibility were involved—the Irish element is playing a big part in the election. It is not that the politicians have any great respect for the Irish, but the Irish vote has to be won. Accordingly, unkind things are often said against the English, not because the politicians really dislike the English, but because they do not want to lose the support of the Irish electors.

ALARM OVER BOLSHIEVISM.

But while affairs outside the United States are playing a not negligible part in the gathering fury of the campaign, the internal condition of the country is the matter for feverish anxiety.

There is acute alarm at the spread of Bolshevism—much exaggerated, I believe. But the unrest over the appalling cost of living, the phenomenal wages being paid, the widening cleavage between the working classes and the rest of the public, is very real. The demands of the wage earners—often look like blackmail, and some of the methods proposed to check them have in Western Europe. Things, however, are not likely to come to a head until after the Presidential election.

It will be with the new President and under the new Government that the fight will take place. That is why so many Americans favour General Wood. He is a man more disposed to action than to words.

NELSON'S FLAGSHIP UNDER REPAIR.

(Continued from Page 2.)

At the time of the launch of the "Victory" we were at peace with the rest of the world, and she consequently lay quietly at her moorings off Chatham for about thirteen years, a state of affairs quite impossible for a modern steel vessel without considerable risk of her being useless at the end of that time, but as in May of 1778 war with France became imminent, she was sent round to Portsmouth, where she hoisted the flag of the Commander-in-Chief of the Channel Fleet, Admiral Hon. Augustus Keppel. Her first action was closely connected with the origin of the famous nautical song, the "Saucy Arethusa." When the fleet was at sea two French frigates, the Licorne and Belle-Poule, were sighted, the former hauling down her colours after a short action whilst the latter attempted to escape. She was pursued by the Arethusa, a frigate of about equal size to the Belle-Poule, and after a long chase, brought to action, an action that resulted in one of the most desperate single ship contests on record, in which both vessels were most honourably fought. The French ship eventually drifted on the rocks of her own coast, whilst the Arethusa was reduced to an almost battered hulk which had to be towed home by the line of battle ship "Valiant."

The "Victory" with the rest of the Channel Fleet was in action off Ushant on July 27th, 1778, against the French Fleet under Admiral D'Ouvilliers, but the result was indecisive. Sir Charles Haze was the next admiral to hoist his flag in the "Victory" in March, 1779, and it was during his command that her bottom was first coppered. Subsequent admirals who hoisted their flags in the "Victory" were Admirals Geary, Darby, Drake, Hyde, Parker and Kempenfelt, during which commissions nothing of special importance happened, but shortly after the latter admiral had transferred his flag from her to the "Royal George," the "Victory" was a witness of the capturing of the latter at Spithead, when she was lost with 900 men. Lord Howe next hoisted his flag in the "Victory" and the principal event that then occurred in connection with her was the relief of Gibraltar, when she was flagship of the squadron that conveyed a number of food and store ships to the beleaguered garrison under General Eliot. She was then paid off in February, 1783, after a commission of five years, during which she had established a reputation for being the best sailing three-decker ever launched; she maintained this reputation subsequently and this was the main reason why she was invariably chosen to convey the Commander-in-Chief's flag.

Her most important work was at Toulon, where, under the command of Lord Hood, she took part in the famous surrender of Toulon by French Commissioners followed by the equally famous capture of the town by the Republicans when Napoleon first came into prominence. Hood was followed in the "Victory" by Sir John Jervis, and it was during this commission that the celebrated battle of Cape St. Vincent was won against a superior Spanish fleet on St. Valentine's day, 1791. Nelson was present during the action, being in command of the Captain in the rank of Commodore, and after the battle was over Jervis summoned him on to the "Victory" and warmly embraced him on the same quarter-deck on which he was to fall eight years later at Trafalgar, quite close to the scene of that day's battle. In fact, the next admiral to hoist his flag on her was Nelson himself, she being recommissioned in April, 1803, after being laid up for several years. One of Nelson's earliest jobs in the "Victory" was the blockade of Toulon, as a result of which he wrote in a letter to Admiral Collingwood: "Buonaparte has often made his brags that our fleet would be worn out by keeping the sea, that his was kept in order and increasing by being kept in port, but he now finds I fancy, if Emperors bear truth, that his fleet suffers more in one night than ours in a year."

This is somewhat remarkable in view of the resulting effect on the German ships and morale during the late war by being kept in port for a considerable length of time, whilst our fleets were continually on the "qui vive" for their coming out.

The glorious climax of Trafalgar with which the name of "Victory" is always associated in our minds needs no repetition here, but it may be of interest to mention that she remained in commission until 1812 under Admirals Sir James Saumarez and Sir Joseph Sydney Yorke, the Commander-in-Chief's flag being finally struck on October 15th of that year; since then she has done no actual service as a fighting ship. In 1825 she was made flagship at Portsmouth, being moored in the harbour wherein she has become the familiar feature referred to earlier in this article.

Her wooden walls have served her well, and it is to be hoped that in her present capacity as a priceless national relic she will long remain for many succeeding generations to pay their tribute to one of our very finest naval traditions.—*Journal of Commerce.*

HONGKONG'S SUBMARINES.

FIRE AND COLLISION.

A few days ago the *China Mail* asked the cost incurred through the submarines stationed here escorting the "Madras." It seems that it will be more than just running expenses for L20 and L19 came into collision while returning to the Naval Camber, the former having a hole knocked in one of her tanks. She is not seriously damaged but will have to visit the dock.

On Saturday evening fire broke out on L20, which was in dry dock. Apparently a wire fused and ignited some canvas. The alarm was raised and the fire speedily extinguished. The vessel is not seriously damaged.

THE RICE PROBLEM.

RAID ON SHANGHAI RICE SHOP.

On June 4 a scheme for the inauguration of two low-price rice exchanges in two places in Nantao were formulated at a meeting of the Magistrate to the City, Mr. Shen Pao-chang, the leading rice merchants and the members of the Nantao Municipal Council, Chamber of Commerce and Benevolent Societies. One is established at the Temple of Dragon King, where the meeting was held, while the other is located at the Boatmen's Guild.

Over 1,000 piculs of rice, originally stored in Footung has been purchased by the Magistrate at cost price and will be sold at 1,000 coppers or \$7.35 per picul. More of the cereal is being ordered from Kiangsu, where the Governor has been requested to allow its exportation and exempt it from all taxation. The price of rice remains firm at \$10.80. In some shops, in Chapei, the \$11 record was reached. The opening of the exchanges is expected to relieve the situation temporarily. An inventory taken on Friday (June 4) showed that the stock can last only two more weeks.

The confiscation of the 14 carloads of rice, consisting of 454 piculs seized recently at the Fungking Railway Station, was ordered on Saturday by Magistrate Shen Pao-chang of Shanghai by a proclamation. The cereal will be sold to the poor at the two cheap rice exchanges. They are located at the Temple of the Dragon King and the Boatmen's Guild.

The proclamation was issued following sanction given to Magistrate Shen by the Civil Governor of Kiangsu. It will be remembered that, following the seizure of the rice, which was being exported to some point where it may be within Japanese reach, several local organisations and Magistrate Shen recommended the goods be confiscated as a warning to other smugglers.

The charge of smuggling against the shipping office and the consignor, a Provincial Assemblyman, is pending in the Criminal Court of Nantao. One of the accused is sick.

What might have developed into a riot took place on Footung on Friday afternoon when a number of paupers attempted to raid a small rice shop. An alarm was sounded and the military police soon placed the raiders under arrest. About a third of a picul was carried away by some of the paupers.

The situation looked worse on Saturday. A number of desperate female workers were moving about in a suspicious manner. But the day passed without any violence as a result of the extra precautions taken by the police.

Unless official action is taken by either the Chinese Government authorities to enforce the prohibition of rice exports it is to be feared that there can be no remedy in the situation. Inquiries amongst the dealers elicited the information that too much of the cereal was being exported to Japan and elsewhere, they have no say in the raising of the prices to the present level (rice was quoted \$11.10 in some quarters), and the shopkeepers were bound to charge the prices fixed by the guild.

From the foregoing it would seem as if the price of rice in Shanghai is regulated not so much by the law of supply and demand as by the whims and caprice of a select few who have cornered the rice market. The shortage, therefore, we are inclined to believe, is fictitious, and somewhere in the neighbourhood large quantities of the grain are being stored and deliberately kept away from the market.

The Chinese are a timid people, for in no country but China would the people have tolerated the tampering with the price of their principal article of food. But from indications reported above, the people particularly by the cooler class, are beginning to murmur, and their dissatisfaction may yet break out into open riot, as has already happened in Footung.—*Shanghai Times.*

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

[Reuter's Service to the China Mail.]

TARIFF REFORM.

LONDON, June 10th.
At Birmingham at a Conference of the National Union, Association a resolution was passed supporting the whole policy of Tariff Reform, and asking the leaders to prepare a tariff.
An amendment to omit the latter, on the ground of impracticability at present, was rejected.

TONNAGE RATES.

LONDON, June 9th.
The Times records a sharp fall in the time charter rates. British tonnage rates range from 30s. to 22s. 6d. per ton.

THE ELLERMAN LINE.

LONDON, June 8th.
The Times says that the Ellerman Line is inaugurating in July a regular monthly service from Montreal to Port Said, the Sudan, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Singapore, and Java.

The Ellerman Line is also establishing a service in July between Montreal and the Far East.

GOVERNMENT OPERATION OF RAILWAYS.

LONDON, June 10th.
The results of Government working of the railways for the year ended March 31st show Treasury liabilities as £41,250,000.

SUGAR RATIONS.

WASHINGTON, June 10th.
From June 21st hotels and restaurants throughout the country will be rationing sugar as in war-time.

HOUSING PROBLEM.

LONDON, June 10th.
Dr. Addison, in the course of a statement in the Parliamentary Housing Committee, said that at present ten thousand houses were being erected under the subsidy scheme. All the issues of the Housing Bonds had been over-subscribed.

COUNTY CRICKET.

LONDON, June 10th.
Sussex beat Leicestershire by an innings and 106 runs.
Sussex beat Worcestershire by an innings and 291 runs.

WILL OF A LATE HONGKONG CHINESE RESIDENT.

LONDON, June 8th.
In the will of the late Sir Chentung Liang Cheng, the Hongkong Chinese, only \$1,475 is his property in the United Kingdom.

CHINESE SCHOOL IN LONDON.

Lo Chong, the Chinese Consul-General in London, and others have initiated a school in Poplar to teach Chinese grammar and English to Chinese children of the Chinatown district Chinese. About 100 pupils have already enrolled. The teachers will be Chinese graduates and undergraduates assisted by an English lady once resident in China. The classes will be free. Chinese and English friends of China are supplying the funds.

FRENCH CONSULAR SERVICE.

PARIS, June 8th.
M. Outrey, Deputy for Cochinchina, in an article in the Press, refers to the grave risk being run by France in the serious shortage in the French Consular Service in the Far East. He urges that a greater number of Consular posts should be given to Colonial interpreters, following the British example. M. Outrey emphasises the immense importance of skilled staffs.

PRINCIPAL NAVAL TRANSPORT OFFICER.

LONDON, June 10th.
Commander E. J. Headlam has been selected for the post of Principal Naval Transport Officer on the East India station and granted temporary acting captaincy in the Navy.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

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SOUTHERNERS CAPTURE CHANGSHA.

CRITICAL SITUATION IN PEKING.

PEKING, June 13.
A grave situation has developed as a result of the Southern troops' capture of Changsha. There was apparently little or no resistance from the Northern forces, who retired on Yochow. It is feared that this action will strengthen the position of the reactionary Northerners who wish to resume hostilities.

The President, however, prefers to regard these operations as a local matter which will not be permitted to interfere with the peace negotiations. The split in the Southern Administration, embarrasses the Government as each group insists that the Government should negotiate with it and not recognise the other.

The President desires mediation with a view to reconciling these two groups, thus presenting the Gilbertian situation of the Government working for peace in the ranks of its enemies. Though alarm prevails amongst the populace in Peking, there are indications that the dreaded coup d'etat will be averted by compromise.

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THE LAST "LOST" SOLDIER.

MIDDLE-AGED MAN REMAINS UNIDENTIFIED.

For several months the last unidentified soldier of the British Army has been in the charge of War Office authorities, and his name is still unknown. The private intelligence department, which has been entrusted with the establishing of the identities of soldiers who have lost their memories, has handled a very large number of cases, and this is their only failure.

Notwithstanding the best medical treatment, the man, who is of middle age, has so far been unable even to recall the regiment in which he served. He has periods of "brighter" mental health, but remains helpless to furnish the least useful clue.

Asked why a description and photograph of this soldier have not been circulated through the Press, a War Office official told a *Daily Chronicle* and *Standard* reporter:

representative that previous experiments of the kind had not proved helpful. Publication of photos, he said, had brought many replies from despairing relatives who merely imagined a likeness to their own missing. Persons interested in soldiers unaccounted for have been encouraged to send photos of their own missing relatives to the Casualty Department, and descriptions of men with lost memories of whom the War Office had charged were always obtainable on application. Meanwhile the last of the "lost" soldiers remains under treatment, and the War Office are considering what future action shall be taken.

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EARLIER TELEGRAM.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

ITALIANS IN ALBANIA.

Rome, June 9th.
The newspapers report that the Albanian insurgents have occupied the village of Bistorta and Scitza. The Italian garrisons have withdrawn to Valona.

A destroyer at Valona is covering the retreat of the Italians, which is apparently attended with some losses.

Rome, June 9th.
An authoritative statement regarding the withdrawal of the Italians from Albania says that there were no serious incidents, merely minor encounters between the Italian troops and irregulars. It is admitted, however, that the Albanians are hostile towards Italy, owing to Serbian and Greek agitation, in which connection Italy has made representations at Athens and Belgrade.

The statement adds that Italy is determined to remain at Valona with a possible restriction of the occupation zone.

PARIS, June 10th.
A Rome telegram states that Italian warships have left Brindisi for Valona. The seamen are opposing the despatch of reinforcements to Albania.

All the newspapers forecast that Signor Giolitti will succeed Signor Nitti.

Rome, June 9th.
The cabinet has resigned.

London, June 9th.
The newspapers are of opinion that owing to the Italian cabinet crisis a further adjournment of the Spa Conference is almost certain.

London, June 9th.
Important developments are expected in the Italian situation in consequence of the broad riots in different parts of the country, coupled with revolutionary activity in the Army.

The chief cause of the unrest lies in the refusal of the Government to come to any compromise with the laborers for the supply of the laborers, on which the Government is losing 100,000,000 lire monthly.

The Socialists in Parliament have announced their intention to vote against the Government until the announcement of the increase of bread prices is withdrawn.

Rome, June 10th.
In the Chamber, Signor Nitti announced the revision of the recent decree raising the price of bread, and added that the Cabinet has resigned in consequence of the parliamentary situation, being that every party in the House was opposed to the decree which the Government had sanctioned with a view to preventing the loss of eight thousand million lire annually through the bread subsidy.

Signor Giolitti, President of the Chamber, has also resigned.

The short sitting in the Chamber was most turbulent. Signor Nitti, who was constantly interrupted, intimated that the Ministers would continue to conduct the current business.

A Socialist speaker claimed that the revision was a triumph for official Socialism.

Reclamations issued which led to tumults and fistfights.

The Chamber adjourned indefinitely.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE.

London, June 11th.
The Parliamentary Army Committee is memorialising the Premier and Mr. Bonar Law suggesting important changes in the Empire's defence organization.

The scheme involves the representation of the three services on a body charged with the responsibility of co-ordinating expenditure with the commitments of foreign policy adopted by the Government of the day.

In the House of Commons, replying to General Smuts, Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Committee of Imperial Defence has been constituted so as to enable it to deal with the coordination of sea, land and air defence of the Empire by experts from the three services attending the meetings of the Committee as required. It is hoped that meetings will be held shortly.

BOLSHEVICKS IN PERSIA.

London, June 9th.
The War Office, in an official summary issued today, says that it is reported that the Bolsheviks are sending reinforcements to Enzeli.

A British detachment from Reest arrived at Enzeli on June 4th. Three hundred Bolsheviks from Enzeli then occupied Reest.

London, June 10th.
In the House of Commons, questioned in regard to the reported offensive against the Bolsheviks by General Wrangel, Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Government had clearly informed General Wrangel that Britain would not be responsible for his army if he undertook an offensive.

London, June 9th.
A wireless message from Moscow declares that a Revolutionary Government has been formed at Reest for Baku. The message alleges that a part of the Indian troops at Reest have joined the revolutionaries.

London, June 9th.
In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law discredited the Bolshevik wireless claiming a reverse to British forces. He was confident that it was without any foundation and said that the report was probably based on the fact that some time ago in pursuance of the policy of limiting our commitments as far as possible, we moved the very small British garrison from Reest. He was of opinion that was the sole foundation for the wireless.

THE TESCHEN DISPUTE.

London, June 10th.
In the House of Commons, replying to questions, Mr. Lloyd George stated that the Ambassadors' Conference at Paris was paying attention to the Polish and Czechoslovakian dispute in regard to Teschen, and was communicating with representatives of the two Republics. The Czechoslovakian Government had also drawn the attention of the League of Nations to the dispute.

He said the Government would take the most effective action to secure a peaceful settlement, or which he was very hopeful.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

INDIA'S COAL PROBLEM.

SIMLA, June 10th.
The Committee appointed to enquire into coal questions in India, advocates the appointment of a controlling authority to prevent wastage of coal which at present can be wasted by coalowners without restriction. The nationalisation of the mines is considered beyond the realm of practical politics.

The report opposes statutory interference with reference to working hours and the introduction of shifts as likely to unsettle labour and cause discontent.

POLAND'S WAR.

WARSAW, June 9th.
It is officially stated that two Bolshevik Divisions were wiped out during the counter-offensive between the Dring and Beresina. Captured papers show that panic prevails in the Red Headquarters.

The Bolsheviks removed the eyes of Polish prisoners, who were then sent back.

London, June 9th.
The War Office, in an official summary of the operations issued today, says that the Polish counter-offensive in the north is progressing favourably and has reached a line from Drissa to Germanovitz, west of Mlissa, and the town of Beresina.

The advance is continuing very rapidly. The Poles have already recovered over half the area lost in May. The Red retreat in places is becoming a rout.

The Polish front runs from a point 35 miles east of Bialystok to the west of Skvira, thence south to Lipovetz, Bratslav and Vapnyarka.

ENTOMOLOGICAL CONFERENCE.

London, June 11th.
Lord Milner, speaking at the Government dinner to the Imperial Entomological Conference, drew out the enormous progress of the science and paid a tribute to the supreme importance of the work as regards colonies. He said that tropical and sub-tropical possessions of the Empire had an enormous future. Health and accessibility were the greatest things in the future, and combating disease. He referred to the splendid work done by the Congress, and hoped that it would meet in future at regular intervals.

The Hon. W. A. Watt said that the campaign against locusts in the Transvaal had a great effect in dealing with the plague.

London, June 11th.
At the final meeting of the Imperial Entomological Conference, Viscount Harcourt presiding, a resolution was passed in favour of holding a similar conference in London every five years, the establishment of an Imperial Bureau of Entomology on a permanent basis, and of recommending the contributory Governments to guarantee the contributions and the provision of a total income of £12,000.

BRITAIN AND SOVIET RUSSIA.

London, June 9th.
The Daily Express says that the preliminary difficulties in the way of an immediate resumption of trade with Russia have been removed. The Soviet Government has sent a wireless message to M. Krasin promising to release British prisoners and furnishing guarantees for the cessation of propaganda in the Near East.

London, June 9th.
The Daily Telegraph says that the Treasury has decided that it is impossible to have definite dealings in Bolshevik gold unless the Soviets are recognised.

BRITISH LABOUR.

London, June 9th.
Eight thousand employees at Port Sunlight have struck work in consequence of a dispute regarding the recognition of a rival Union.

MINERS IN CONFERENCE.

London, June 10th.
In consequence of the Government's coal decision a conference of the Miners' Federation today decided to examine the data relating to the industry's finances with a view to formulating a demand for an increase in wages.

The Congress also demanded the withdrawal of troops from Ireland, urging a special Trade Union Congress for the purpose of determining the attitude of opinion towards the handling and production of war materials for Poland and Poland.

London, June 9th.
A Scottish coal-owners' meeting passed a resolution strongly protesting against the men's proposal of a five-day week. They point out that this would mean a loss of over 1,500,000 tons annually.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, June 14, 1920.

On London ... 3-1/2

Bank, Wire ... 3-1/2

On demand ... 3-1/2

20 days' sight ... 3-1/2

4 months' sight ... 3-1/2

Credit, 4 months' sight ... 3-1/2

Documentary 4 months' sight ... 3-1/2

On demand ... 3-1/2

On New York ... 7 1/2

On demand ... 7 1/2

Credit, 60 days' sight ... 7 1/2

On Hongkong ... 153

On demand ... 153

On Shanghai ... 151

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On Canton ... 151

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OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

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Bank of China ... 37 1/2

Hongkong Bank ... 64 1/2

Marine Insurance ... 135 b.

Canton Ins. ... 160 n.

North China Ins. ... 153/4

Union Ins. ... 155 b.

Yankee Ins. ... 125 n.

Far Easterns ... 17 1/2 n.

Fire Insurance ... 113 n.

China Fire Ins. ... 123 n.

Hongkong Fire Ins. ... 135 b.

Shipping ... 85 b. 55 s.

Engle ... 123 n.

Indo-China (Ind.) ... 115 n.

Do. (Ind.) ... 115 n.

Shell Transport ... 200 n.

Star Ferries ... 123 n.

Refrigerators ... 123 n.

China Sugars ... 123 n.

Malayan Sugars ... 123 n.

Mining ... 100 n.

Kalian Mining Adm. ... 100 n.

Langkat ... 100 n.

Shanghai Loans ... 100 n.

Shanghai Exploration ... 100 n.

Shanghai ... 100 n.

Tonghai ... 100 n.

Ural Coal ... 100 n.

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